

**Chambers of Judge Mark van Dyke Holmes**

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**Mark van Dyke Holmes**  
Judge

Date of Birth: July 6, 1960  
Education: Harvard 1979 BA; Chicago 1983 JD  
Began Service: June 30, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: June 30, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk Alex Kozinski, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1985-1987)

**Government:** Counsel to Commissioners, United States International Trade Commission (1991-1996); Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division (2001-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cahill Gordon & Reindel (1983-1985); Associate, Sullivan & Cromwell (1987-1991); Counsel, Miller & Chevalier (1996-2001)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association, Tax Section; American Bar Association Litigation Section

**Staff**  
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**Diane L. Kroupa**  
Judge

Education: Georgetown 1978 BSFS; South Dakota 1981 JD  
Began Service: June 13, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: June 12, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association, Tax Section; District of Columbia Bar Association; Minnesota Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; South Dakota Bar Association

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**Chambers of Judge David Laro**

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**David Laro**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Michigan 1964 BA; Illinois 1967 JD; NYU 1970 LLM  
Began Service: November 2, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush  
Term Expires: November 2, 2007

**Academic:** Adjunct Faculty, Georgetown University; Visiting Professor, University of San Diego School of Law

**Corporate:** Chairman, Republic Bank (1986-1992); President & Chief Executive Officer, Durakon Industries Inc (1989-1991)

**Chambers of Judge David Laro continued**

**Legal Practice:** Winegarden, Booth, Shedd and Laro (1970-1975); Laro & Borgeson (1975-1986); David Laro, Attorney at Law (1986-1992); Of Counsel, Dykema Gossett (1989-1990)

**Current Memberships:** Michigan Bar Association

**Staff**  
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**Chambers of Judge L. Paige Marvel**

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**L. Paige Marvel**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1949  
Education: Notre Dame 1971 BA; Maryland 1974 JD  
Began Service: April 6, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Term Expires: April 5, 2013  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Legal Practice:** Member, Garbis, Marvel & Junghans, P.A. (formerly Garbis & Schwait) (1974-1986); Member, Melnicove, Kaufman, Weiner, Smouse & Garbis, P.A. (1986-1988); Partner, Venable, Baetjer & Howard, LLP (1988-1998)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, Fellow; American College of Tax Counsel, Fellow; American Law Institute; Maryland Bar Foundation, Fellow; Maryland State Bar Association

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Education: Notre Dame 2002 JD; Georgetown 2004 LLM  
Law Clerk **Karen Oehling** ..... (202) 606-8871  
Education: Duquesne MS, 2005 JD  
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**Chambers of Judge Stephen J. Swift**

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**Stephen J. Swift**  
Judge

Date of Birth: September 7, 1943  
Education: Brigham Young 1967 BS; George Washington 1970 JD  
Began Service: 1983  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Term Expires: 2014  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Affiliation:** Adjunct Professor, Graduate Tax Program, University of Baltimore

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Graduate Tax Program, Golden Gate University (1976-1983)

**Corporate:** Vice President and Senior Tax Counsel, Bank of America NT & SA (1977-1983)

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Honors Program, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1970-1974); Assistant United States Attorney, Tax Division, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1974-1977)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; California Bar Association; District of Columbia Bar

**Chambers of Judge Stephen J. Swift continued**

**Staff**  
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Education: San Diego 2001 JD, 2003 LLM  
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Education: Maryland BA

**Chambers of Judge Michael B. Thornton**

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**Michael B. Thornton**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Southern Mississippi 1976 BS, 1977 MS; Tennessee 1979 MA; Duke 1982 JD  
Began Service: March 9, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Term Expires: March 9, 2013

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Charles Clark, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1983-1984)

**Government:** Tax Counsel, Committee on Ways and Means, United States House of Representatives (1988-1995); Deputy Tax Legislative Counsel, Office of Tax Policy, United States Department of the Treasury (1995-1998)

**Legal Practice:** Miller & Chevalier (1985-1988); Sutherland, Asbill and Brennan (1982-1983)

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Education: Georgetown 2004 LLM  
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**Chambers of Judge Juan F. Vasquez**

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**Juan F. Vasquez**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Texas 1972 BBA; Houston 1977 JD; NYU 1978 LLM  
Began Service: 1995  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Term Expires: April 30, 2010  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Corporate:** Accountant, Coopers & Lybrand (1972-1974)

**Government:** Attorney, Office of Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1978-1982)

**Legal Practice:** Associate then Partner, Leighton, Hood & Vasquez (1982-1985); Partner, Leighton & Vasquez (1985-1987); Partner, Juan F. Vasquez, PC (1987-1995)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association, Tax Section; College of State Bar of Texas; Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia; Hispanic National Bar Association; MABA, Texas & San Antonio Chapters; National Judicial College; San Antonio Bar; San Antonio Bar Foundation, Fellow; Texas State Bar; Texas State Bar Foundation, Fellow

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**Chambers of Judge Juan F. Vasquez continued**

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Education: Washington U (MO) 1993 AB; Fordham 1996 JD; NYU 1997 LLM  
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**Chambers of Judge Thomas B. Wells**

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**Thomas B. Wells**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Miami 1967 BS; Emory 1973 JD; NYU 1978 LLM  
Began Service: October 13, 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Term Expires: July 2, 2015

**Government:** County Attorney, County of Toombs, Georgia (1973-1977); City Attorney, City of Vidalia, Georgia (1973-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Graham & Wells (1973-1977); Hurt, Richardson, Garner, Todd & Cadenhead (1978-1981); Partner, Shearer & Wells (1981-1986)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1968-1970); United States Naval Reserve (1970)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Georgia Bar Association

**Staff**  
Secretary **Jo Brett** ..... (202) 606-8840

**Chambers of Judge Robert A. Wherry, Jr.**

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**Robert A. Wherry, Jr.**  
Judge

Date of Birth: April 7, 1944  
Education: Colorado 1966 BS, 1969 JD; NYU 1972 LLM  
Began Service: April 23, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: April 2018

**Government:** Inheritance Tax Auditor, Office of the Attorney General, State of Colorado

**Legal Practice:** Vice President and Secretary, Lentz, Evans & King PC

**Staff**  
Law Clerk **Andrea Blake** ..... (202) 606-8828  
Education: Whitworth 1996 BA; Gonzaga 1999 JD  
Law Clerk **Cathy Fung** ..... (202) 606-8828  
Education: UCLA 1995 BA; North Carolina 2003 JD; NYU 2004 LLM